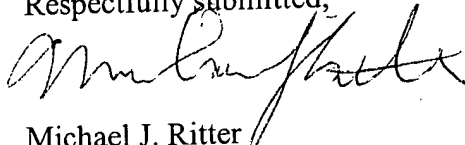


REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Claims 1 and 24-45 are pending in the application. If the Examiner feels that a telephone conference would in any way expedite the prosecution of the application, please do not hesitate to call the undersigned at (408) 446-8693.

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